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1. The mass production of large ocean-going steamships is to be begun at the Warnow shipyard in Warnemuende. These ships will be of 9,500 tons gross register, with a length of 155 meters and a beam of 25 meters. The work is being delayed by shortage of materials and by delay in delivery of the plans from the Zentral Schifffahrt (Central Shipping Bureau). The Zentral Schifffahrt has been severely censured. The director of construction at the Warnow yard is Engineer Schoop (fnu), a pushing, high Socialist Unity Party (SED) man, and a driver of the first order.
2. The shipyard at Warnemuende is being further enlarged. The new building under construction is 28 meters high. The Warnow yard in Warnemuende is the largest ship building plant in Europe, with 25,000 men employed.

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